## BALK AT NEGRO CONFERENCE

SOME OF THOSE INVITED DIS-APPROVE THE PROJECT.

Seth Low, Thomas Wentworth Higginson and Francis Lynde Stetson Think It Inadvisable to Discuss the Status of plantation that lies near the East Drive, the Black Man and Bace Prejudice.

The conference on the status of the American negro which begins to-morrow has met opposition by deveral prominent men who were asked to give their cussed are "Race Prejudice Viewed from \$5 each. Scientific Standpoint," "The Civil and to participate were Seth Low, Thomas Wentworth Higginson and Francis Lynde Stetson. Each declined and gave reasons for his action. Mr. Low said he preferred not to sign the call to the conference and added:

| Comparison of the conference | last Wednesday night and Commissioner | Smith became very indignant that such things should occur in the park. Should occur in the park. The idea started with Dr. Wilbert W. White, the president of the Training School He says he can't see why it isn't possible to have playgrounds for an extent that about twenty policement are sent there sundays from outside preference and added:

I like always to emphasize the great progress made by the colored race since emancipation without ceasing to strive for further improvement. I cannot think it very helpful to emphasize only the points of offence

Mr. Higginson expressed his views more in detail. He wrote:

In 1868 and ever since I have regarded the indiscriminate extension of the suffrage to an entire class as a class, whether negroes or others, to be politically inexpedient; that is, not conducive to the general interest which in this particular is more important than the interest of the individual.

The extension of this right to negroes as

class was and is in my opinion particularly unwise, and a cause of great friction between the races and an injury to the negro himself. He would better turn himself to his industrial and educational development than to strive for the establishment of a civil and political status which, whether or not his, under existing law can never be effectually attained; or if ever, only through a conflict of terrible consequence.

No white community will ever consent to the political supremacy of either the black man or the colored man or the yellow man. I make this declaration philosophically and as the result of observation and reflection and absolutely without feeling or prejudice, for I have none.

I regret to say that I must decline to cooperate with the proposed plans of the conference. The advent of a new Presidant of whom we have on the whole reasons to think highly, seems to me an inappropriate time to start a new organization which may only embarrass and complicate his action. His purpose seems to be to conciliate the more progressive class of Southern white citizens, as in North Caroline, for instance. While notifying them distinctly that the colored citizens are free he cannot of course overrule the action of the Supreme Court.

I am disposed to put confidence in him at the outset, though I have always been strongly opposed to some acts of his prede-

As almost the sole survivor of the early abolitionists, as one who commanded the first black regiment in the civil war and has long been an organizer and supporter of

in Chicago; Jane Addams of the Chicago; Jane Addams of the negro woman stroyed in Tennessee by a white mob; Judge Wendell P. Stafford of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia; Clarence Darrow, the Chicago radical: Prof. John Spencer Bassett of Smith College, who was forced Mass., who was forced Massistrate Naumer told Smith and Massistrate Naumer told Smith and Judge Wendell P. Stafford of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia; Clarge and Darrow, the Chicago radioal: Prof. John Spencer Bassett of Smith College, Northampton, Mass., who was forced to leave the South on account of his prof. W. E. B. DuRois of Atlanta University, the author of "The Soul of Black Folks"; William A. Bennett, Representative in Congress from New York City, and one or more of the negro firemen who have been laid off the Georgia Railroad on account of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

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Comocine Engineers.

All of the resisions except the public meeting to-morrow night in Cooper Union will be held in the United Charifies Building. They will be held in the morning, afternoon and evening on Monday and Tuesday. Only the Monday meeting and the state of the National Committee for the Relief of the Unemployed.

# ELLIS ISLAND SHORT CHANGE. deld

William Williams, the new Immigration Commissioner at Ellis Island, sent yesterday to Fritz Brodt, the island caterer, another letter, which read:

In charge of one of your food stands on Ellis Island is a man who either robs immigrants or mistakes five dollar bills for one dollar bills. Yesterday he took in a five dollar bill in payment for a one dollar box of lunch and gave the buyer no change. I learned of this swindle because I had taken the precaution to place a Government officer pear this stand, and he had been there only a short time when he discovered this transaction and reported it to me. After giving your employee a hearing I became satisfied that had not the Government intervened this immigrant would never have seen his \$1 again. Quite apart from any question of improper intention the Government cannot afford to allow you to employ here persons who while dealing with immigrants and in broad daylight are unable to tell five dollar bills from one dollar bills. This man might make the same "mistake" again. You can obtain his name from the chief clerk and I direct that after frow morning you cease employing which

STEALS CITY'S PLANTS.

Rhododenrons Imported by Mrs. Sage Pulled From Central Park Bed. John Leo a cooper, who lives at 315 East Eighty-ninth street, was arrested in Central Park at 4 o'clock yesterday morning carrying off a plant which he had pulled up from the Sage rhodendron

opposite Ninetieth street. Mrs. Russell Sage had the plants imported from Holland and expended \$50,000 in making the plantation in the park. support. Among the topics to be dis- the plants, which can be readily sold for the region between Forty-second street

Political Status of the Negro," "The flower bed led the police to believe that Christadora House on Avenue B. Stu-"The Negro and the Nation." Among those thieves. Five of the plants were taken asked by the secretary of the conference last Wednesday night and Commissioner ton avenue got up the party.

cincts to help keep order.

When Leo was taken to the Yorkville police court Magistrate Herrman asked

police court Magistrate Herrman assed him why he had stolen the city's flowers.

"I didn't know what I was doing. I couldn't sleep last night, so I went out to the park for a walk and I must have been dreaming," the prisoner responded.

"Here's the cloth he had wrapped about the plant. He must have brought about the plant. He must have brought that from home for the purpose," put in Policeman Patrick Murray.
"I am going to fine you the value of the plant, which is \$5," the Court announced.

Leo didn't have the money and went

YEGGS CAUGHT CRACKING SAFE.

They Escape After Exchanging a Score of Shots With Two Policemen. MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., May 29 .- in a revolver duel between two policemen and two veggmen who had been discovered at work cracking a safe at 12:30 o'clock

this morning more than a score of shots were fired and half the city aroused, but no one was injured. The yeggs made good their escape. The night watchman in Clemson's saw

factory on College street while making his rounds saw a man at work drilling a safe in the wholesale grocery store of Snyder & Fancher. He notified police head nuarters and Policemen McCoach and F. B. Wood were sent to the store. One went to the front door and the other to the rear door. Just as Wood was listening at the rear door it was thrown open and two men began firing at him. With a bullet hole through his hat and another through his trousers leg Wood retreated about twenty feet and, pulling his revolver, returned the fire.

When the veggs and the officer had emptied their weapons the yeggs ran out of the building and across a vacant lot, the yeggs loading their revolvers as they ran. Policeman McCoach joined Officer Wood in the pursuit and opened fire on the yeggmen, which they returned as they ran. It was very dark and none of the shots took effect.

In the Snyder & Fancher store a fine set of safe cracker's tools, was found, into the rear door. Just as Wood was

of safe cracker's tools, was found, in-cluding a brace and bit, eight drills, a jimmy, several feet of fuse and caps and a stick of dynamite. The combination of the large Marvin safe had been broken off with a stonemason's hammer, but the

Monday and Tuesday. Only the Monday morning and evening meetings will be open to the public.

Profs. Livingston Farrand of Columbia and Burt G. Wilder of Cornell will read papers on race prejudice at the Monday morning meeting, and the discussion will be started by Prof. John Dewey. Among others who are expected to speak The scheme originated with J. Eads How

Among others who are expected to speak or present papers are:

William Lloyd Garrison. Edwin D. Meade, Bishop Alexander Walters, Mrs. Cella Parker Wooley. Leslie Pinckney Hill. Mrs. Ida Wells Barnett, William A. Sinclair, Dr. William Buikley, Joseph C. Manning, Ray Stannard Baker and others.

Judge Wendell P. Stafford of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia will preside over the public meeting will be addressed by the Rev. Jenkin Lloyd Jones, Clarence Darrow, Prof. John Spencer Bassett, the Rev. J. Milton Waldron and Prof. W. E. B. DuBeis.

Mentt, Completed its plans yesterday. The scheme originated with J. Eads How of St. Louis, who started the original unemployed committee, came to New York and established a local unemployed committee, returned to St. Louis as a result of a secession in the ranks of the committee, and who is now in New York, apparently restored to favor.

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Commissioner Williams Again Pokes Up the Contract Caterer.

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MISS HELEN GOULD RECEIVES

SATURDAY IS HER DAY FOR WELCOMING THE CHILDREN.

Six Hundred Went Up From the East Side of Manhattan and Picnicked on Her Ground at Lyndhurst-Invited to Come Again for Nine Saturdays.

Six hundred children went up to Irvington yesterday to seesaw and play pris-Thieves have been raiding the flower oner's base on Miss Helen Gould's estate beds recently and carrying off many of at Lyndhurst. They were gathered from and Fifty-ninth and immediately east of Automobile tracks discovered near the Lexington avenue. A few came from Industrial and Educational Status" and not all who despoiled the bed were common dents of the Bible Teachers Training School at Forty-ninth street and Lexing-

> them in New York. He spoke to Miss Gould about it, and she told him to come up with as many children as he could get. So the Bible students covered the district and told all the mothers to send down the children yesterday, just as many of them as they had. They would have to bring their own lunches and it would

cost them 10 cents apiece.

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The children begin to appear at the Training School at 7 o'clock yesterday morning. They got there early so as to be sure they wouldn't be left. The train was due to leave at 8:55 o'clock.

Dr. White got St. Bartholomew's drum corps and put it at the head of the procession. The children fell into line and stretched all the way from the school at Forty-ninth street to the Lexington avenue terminal at Forty-third street. Then they climbed into the special train and they climbed into the special train and started for Irvington. Dr. White had arranged for only nine cars, and he was

sorry he hadn't bargained for two more, because it was a tight squeeze.

At the Irvington station there were some special trolley cars waiting, but there were only three of them. But Dr. White squeezed a hundred children into each one of them and started the into each one of them and started the rest marching behind the drum corps.

Miss Gould had had a lot of swings and

hold them all in case it rained was pitched on a green and the children went in out of the sun if they wanted to.

Miss Gould herself was there to meet them. She shook hands with a dozen mothers who came along to see that their children behaved and made friends with a lot of the children. She came down again in the afternoon after the children had had their lunches and their lies cream and cakes to make sure that conlideren and had their funcies and their ide cream and cakes to make sure that things were still going well. Some of the young women who came from the training school lunched with her.

Miss Gould told Dr. White to come again. Indeed, she told him that all the children wight have the claythe children might have the play-ground every Saturday in June and July. Dr. White says they are going to

## PAPA KLOPFER'S MONEY'S GONE. Can't Collect From Son-in-Law Mitten-

that What He Let His Daughter Have.

Ernest C. Pharo, who was cashier of the Ocean Steamship Company, Pier 35, a collection of silverware, out glass and North River, for seven years before other appropriate articles for the head last Fabruary, when he fled with \$2,750 waitress to carry home on her last day of last February, when he fled with \$2,750 of the company's cash, was arrested yesterday at Broadway and Wall street by Detectives Fitzsimmons and Flood of the District Attorney's staff, who had bench warrant charging him with grand McGinn.

bail.

When Pharo disappeared the American Surety Company, by which he was bonded, made good the \$2,750. Pharo lived at 398 York street, Jersey City. Desiring to avoid the trouble of securing extradition papers the surety company waited for a chance to catch Pharo on the New York ideas the river. Yesterday it was learned

DIVORCE FOR MRS. SLOANE. Wife of Union League and Crescent Club

Man Gets Custody of Child. Justice Jaycox of the Supreme Court in Brooklyn has granted Mabel Sloane an interlocutory decree of divorce from George W. Sloane, Jr., and the sealed papers in the case were yesterday filed in the County Clerk's office.

On January 20 last Mr. Sloane disappeared from Brooklyn, taking with him his six-year-old son, Kenneth, and although a search was made for him by the police he has managed to conceal his whereabouts so far, but that he is in the far West is generally understood by his friends. On the day of his depart-ure he sent this letter to his wife:

JAN. 20, '09. MY DEAR WIFE: I have decided to take a trip South for a couple of weeks and thought I would take Kenneth along. I knew very well that had I asked you "No" would have been the answer. I have a good nurse girl to look after him, so do not

I enclose funds that will tide you over.

You will hear from me later, and if you elect to join us I will be glad to have you. Don't think I am harsh in acting this way, but you know you always object to me taking my dear boy out. With love, am your affectionate hubby. GEO. Sloane's wife soon discovered that a few days before his flight he resigned his ball game but rather pleaded that the place with the Title Guarantee and Trust Company and that in addition to their son Renneth he was accompanied by the wife of a Brooklyn physician and her sixyear-old daughter. In the divorce suit instituted by Mrs. Sloane five women were pamed as correspondents but the wife son the sound was aware that West Point. named as correspondents, but the evidence was confined to her husband's relations with Jennie Ullrichi in the fall of 1903. No defence was put in for the missing husband, and by the terms of the decree Mrs. Sloane gets the custody of her son, for whom detectives are searching. ing.
Mr. Sloane was a member of the Union

League Club and the Crescent Athletic Club and had a wide circle of friends. The Sloanes were married ten years ago.

WANT 183D STREET STATION. Neighbors Fight the Central's Plan to Close It.

Residents of The Bronx are resisting the attempt of the New York Central Railroad Company to close the 183d street station. The company has applied to seesaws set up, and the children swamped them at a rush. A tent big enough to hold them all in case it rained was pitched to do away with the station on the ground that it costs \$12,000 a year to maintain, while the annual receipts from tickets amount to only \$182. It was contended yesterday by the inhabitants of the neighborhood at a hearing held by the com-mission that the reason for this poor showing was the small number of trains which stopped at the station. The comwhich stopped at the station. The commission was told that not a single train stopped at the station between 9 A. M. and 5 P. M.

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It was also said at the hearing that when the proposition to open the station was first made Chauncey M. Depew, who was then the president of the New York Central, and others owned 170 lots in 183d street between Washington and Park avenues and that Senator Depew and those associated with him offered to contribute \$5.000 toward the overlap of the tribute \$5,000 toward the opening of the station if the surrounding property owners raised \$10,000 more. Further testimony was to the effect that Mr. Depew and those with whom he was associated sold

Self regimen an organizer and supportance of the control of the co

nger. The patrons of the restaurant turned in work. The young women of Miss Dwyer's flock also remembered her.

The ceremony will be performed in the Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel, in East Ninetieth street, by the Rev. Father

# larceny in the second degree. Pharo was arraigned before Judge Mulqueen and sent to the Tombs in default of \$3,000

COURT CALENDAR REDUCED.

Williams's terrier and both were badly bitten. The animal dashed out to the porch when the front door of the house was opened and instantly made for Cora, who was standing several feet from her brother. The animal knocked the girl down and then began chewing at her leg.

When the new part of the Court of Special Sessions was established on April in mai managed to bits through the property of the court was over 8.000 county. a chance to catch rharo on the New York side of the river. Yesterday it was learned years respectively, who live across the that Pharo was in town and his arrest street at 35, were attacked by Mrs.

When the new part of the Court of Special Sessions was established on April 5 last the court was over 6,000 cases behind on the calendar. William M. Fuller, acting chief clerk, says that the calendar is now 3,500 cases behind and that by the end of June the number will be reduced to 2,800.

"From week to week," said Mr. Fuller, "we have a new record of the number of cases disposed of. In one day last

# AGAINST MEMORIALDAY GAME

GEN. LOUD OBJECTS TO BASE-BALL AT WEST POINT.

His Letter Avails Nothing, but He Will Bring the Matter Up Again-Col. Scott Says That Nowhere Is the Day Observed More Reverently.

Three weeks ago Gen. George B. Loud, who is chairman of the G. A. R. committee in this city on the observance of Memorial Day, learned in conversation with a Seventh Regiment friend that the baseball team of the regiment and the West Point cadets were to play a game of baseball on the afternoon of Decoration Day. Gen. Loud was surprised to know that this game was one of the athletio fixtures at West Point and that it always is played on Decoration Day.

Gen. Loud has ideas about the proper observance of Memorial Day and one of them is that if civilians choose to make it nothing but a holiday soldiers, and especially soldiers of the United States army, should not so regard it. Accordingly he wrote as a veteran and as a patriot to Secretary of War Dickinson. He says

Point cadets are strictly not members of the Regular army he regarded them as belonging to the military establishment of the United States and hence in a general way referred to them as soldiers. He believed the Government should so train the coming officers of the army that they would regard Memorial Day as set apart for the reverence of the men who did great deeds in war and died for their country. Secretary Dickinson referred the letter of Gen. Loud to Col. Scott, superintendent of West Point, who made

an indorsement on it and returned it to Washington.

In his indorsement Col. Scott said that there was no place in the country where Memorial Day was more hallowed than at West Point and that its observance at West Point and that its observance always begins on the evening of the day before. At noon the flag is raised from half mast to the top and a national salute is fired. The flag remains at the top and the observance of the day is over, according to the West Point regulations. Thereafter the day becomes a holiday, although Col. Scott did not say so explicits.

Col. Scott said the game between West Point and the Seventh has been played for more than twenty years, that Grand Army men have enjoyed it frequently, that the contest has always strengthened that the contest has always strengthened the bonds between the Regular army and the National Guard and that until Gen. Loud wrote about it none of the Grand Army folks had ever said anything about the matter.

The Adjutant-General of the army sent Call South's undersement to Gen. Loud

Col. Scott's indorsement to Gen. Loud with the statement that Secretary Dickinson concurred in what Col. Scott had written, which meant that there would be no interference with the baseball

Gen. Loud in speaking of the matter yesterday said:

have taken no action officially on the matter and probably will ignore it.

## HAVING FUN AT WILLIAMS

Baseball, Dancing, Dramatics, Tennis and Singing for Memorial Day. WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass., May 29 .- Williams College is in the midst of the Memorial Day festivities. Last evening the sophomore promenade dance was Unlicensed Dog Attacks Little Girl of a held in the Lasell gymnasium. This afternoon the Williams baseball nine defeated Dartmouth 4 to 0, and this evening the musical clubs gave a concert in Jesup Hall, followed by a dance at

Graylock Hotel. On Monday Williams will meet Wes levan in tennis and Amherst in baseball

## WILL OF SIGMUND NEUSTADT. \$100,000 for the Widow to Distribute in

Charity. The will of Sigmund Neustadt of the thid and some of the centeries. For several case, the committee he expected the number of the number banking firm of Hallgarten & Co. was

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## MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAMME

GRAND ARMY MEN TO MARCH UP RIVERSIDE DRIVE.

Mayor McClellan to Review Them-School Children to Sing at the Soldiers' Monument-Gov. Hughes to Address Grant Post-Letter Carriers to March.

Memorial Day promises well for the patriot, the athlete and the mere pleasure seeker. The G. A. R. parade will begin at 9 clock in the morning. The veterans will fall in on West End avenue below Seventysecond street and the line of march will take them through Seventy-second street

and up Riverside Drive to Ninety-second

street, where they will be dismissed.

Mayor McClellan will review the parade at the Soldiers and Sailors' Meaument, Riverside Drive and Eighty-ninth street. On the reviewing stand with him will be Gen. Henry A. Nevius, commander in chief of the G. A. R.; Col. John Jacob Astor, Gen.

will hold services over the grave of Gen-John A. Dix. An address will be deliv-ered by John A. Dix. son of the late Rev. Dr. Morgan Dix and a grandson of the

Or. Morgan Dix and a grandson of the General.

The U.S. Grant Pest, No. 237, will meet at 2 o'clock on the afternoon of Memorial Day at Grant's Temb on Riverside Drive and hold exercises in honor of the commander. Gov. Hughes will deliver an address.

The letter carriers also will turn out for their annual parade in the afternoon. The marchers, \$,000 strong, will fall in in City Hall plaza at 1:30 o'clock and headed by Postmaster Morgan tramp to the Frie ferry at the foot of Chambers street. They will all cross the river to Jersey City and attend the New Jersey State convention of letter carriers.

The Bowery Mission will held a service on Memorial Day in commemoration of the unknown soldiers buried in potter's field.

field.

Besides the league basebail games there is the usual long programme of athletic events for the day. The children in many parts of the city will come in for their fun too. Battery Dan Finn for instance, has corralled all the hurdy-gurdy men in the city and will have them in Battery Park, where the children of his district will also find all the lemonade, cake and ice cream they cerest.